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1. Bugiel Plant, Berlin (23 August 1947)

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The Bugiel firm on the Dircksenstrasse, Berlin, is manufacturing cannot covers and other covers for the Soviet Army

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2. Hähnel & Co., Suhl (September 1947)

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Now called the Ernst Thälmann Works, the former Hähnel & Company plant began production of parts for heavy machine guns in September 1947. [redacted] the work is concentrated on breeches for machine guns to be mounted on aircraft. The plant is state-owned and recently increased its labor force from 600 to 1,200 persons.

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3. Pertrix-Werke, Berlin-Niederschönheide (September 1947)

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A Pertrix-Werke employee states that this plant has received new large orders from the SMA for the production of special anode batteries which will be utilized by the Soviet Army. It is not reported whether this order is supplementary to, or is covered by, the following items now in production:

- a. Dry batteries for radio equipment to be installed in armored cars.
 - b. A new anode battery for a small field pack radio set. This battery is flat, approximately 25 cm high, with an outside diameter of 16 x 12 cm. Its capacity is four volts, eight amperes.
 - c. Anode batteries for long distance ("so-called Transatlantic") guided missiles, used to start the rotor of the accelerometer, with three voltage ratings: 12, 42, and 60 volts. The battery case is rectangular and about the size of a radio anode battery.
4. Technical data for Pertrix-Werke battery production are supplied from a large electric battery plant in Moginsk, which was established in early

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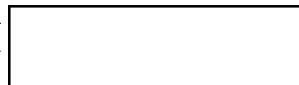
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1946 with dismantled machinery from the Pertrix-Werke. The Soviet factory produces the same type of batteries in large series. Five Russian officer-engineers at the Berlin-Niederschönheide base maintain close liaison with Inginsk.

5. Instead of manganese dioxide or such concentrates as saw dust and gelatine, Canadian wheat flour is being used as an electrolyte at the Pertrix-Werke. This is described as a high grade type of flour and not the sweepings known as "Fussmehl". The stocks are kept under lock and key by the Soviet representatives.

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6. Elektron-Maschinenbau AG, Görlitz (October 1947)

Anticipating that raw material deliveries from the western zones of Germany will suffer considerable cuts, industrial advisors at SA Karlshorst have decided to disregard Central Administration plans, except those referring to the production of agricultural products. One project given priority, however, is that of the Elektron-Maschinenbau AG in Görlitz, which is getting all available machinery enabling it to build very heavy ship turbines. The Karlshorst Department of Industry plans to have sixty-five of these turbines completed by June 1948. The Polish Government also has a hand in this to the extent that it is expected to supply some 2,000 skilled workers.

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